

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING AND PREFILE TESTIMONY DEADLINES

DOCKET NO. 2021-18-C

Application of Starlink Services, LLC for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier for Purposes of Receiving Rural Digital Opportunity Fund ("RDOF") Support

Starlink Services, LLC ("Starlink Services" or the "Company") has filed with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") an Application for designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") for the Service Area included in Exhibit 1 of the Application. The Application states that Space Exploration Technologies Corp. ("SpaceX") was selected by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") as a winning bidder in the Rural Digital Opportunity Fund ("RDOF") auction to provide satellite broadband and Voice-over-IP ("VoIP") service in the census blocks noted as Exhibit 1 of the Application. According to the Application, on December 22, 2020, pursuant to the procedures developed by the FCC, SpaceX assigned its winning bids to its wholly-owned subsidiary Starlink Services, LLC ("Starlink Services"). This Application is made pursuant to Section 214(e)(2) of the Communications Act of 1934, and Section 54.201 of the FCC's rules. The Application states that the Company is obligated by the FCC to obtain ETC designation status by June 7, 2021. The Application states that SpaceX was selected to receive \$6,163,912 through RDOF over ten years to improve high-speed broadband and voice services within the Service Area.

A copy of the Company's application can be found on the Commission's website at www.psc.sc.gov under **Docket No. 2021-18-C**. Additionally, a copy of the application is available from the Company's Representative R. Edward Price, Space Exploration Technologies Corp., 1155-F. Street, N.W. Suite 475, Washington, D.C. 20004.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a virtual hearing on the above matter has been scheduled to begin on **April 13, 2021 at 10:00 A.M.**, before the Commission in the Commission's Hearing Room at 101 Executive Center Drive, Saluda Building, Columbia, South Carolina 29210.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter as a Party of Record with the right of cross-examination, should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **February 24, 2021**, and indicate the amount of time required to address the Commission. For the receipt of future Commission correspondence, please include an email address in the Petition to Intervene. **Please refer to Docket No. 2021-18-C.**

Any person who wishes to be notified of any change in the hearing, but does not wish to present testimony or be a Party of Record, may do so by notifying the Commission, in writing, at the address below on or before February 24, 2021. **Please refer to Docket No. 2021-18-C.**

For the most recent information regarding this docket, including changes in scheduled dates included in this Notice, please refer to www.psc.sc.gov and **Docket No. 2021-18-C**.

The rates proposed in the Company's Petition/Application are subject to potential modification by the Commission during the course of this case.

INSTRUCTIONS TO ALL PARTIES OF RECORD (Applicant, Petitioners, and Intervenor only):

All Parties of Record must prefile testimony with the Commission and with all Parties of Record. Prefiled Testimony

Deadlines: Applicant's Direct Testimony Due: **March 2, 2021**; Other Parties of Record Direct Testimony Due: **March 16, 2021**; Applicant's Rebuttal Testimony Due: **March 23, 2021**; and Other Parties of Record Surrebuttal Testimony Due: **March 30, 2021**. All Prefiled Testimony Deadlines are subject to the information as posted on www.psc.sc.gov under **Docket No. 2021-18-C**.

For the most recent information regarding this Docket, including changes in scheduled dates included in this Notice, please refer to www.psc.sc.gov and **Docket No. 2021-18-C**.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding MUST present such comments in person to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100 or visit its website at www.psc.sc.gov.

January 19, 2021